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SOCCEROOS - A FREE FOR ALL ?

— By Andrew Dettre —

In the last two weeks or so, a bitter controversy developed over the use of foreign-made players in the Australian national team.

Many newspaper, radio and TV commentators criticised the fact that for the centenary match against England, the Socceroos had too many imported players — some not even naturalised.

Channel 7's Gary Carr fanned the flames with some remarks last week when he reported in the 6.30 news bulletin:

"When Australia played England a week and a half ago, the match was to commemorate 100 years of organised soccer in Australia.

"Before the match I pointed out that seven of Australia's 11 players did not learn to play soccer in this country.

"I asked the question why wasn't Australia fielding a team made up only of locally developed players.

"This is the current issue of SOCCER WORLD (holding it up to the camera), the oldest soccer newspaper in Australia.

"On page 5 it features an editorial in which it calls for the [illegible] side to be comprised 100 percent of locally developed players.

"Let me just quote you a few brief lines from that editorial.

" 'Without trying to be too chauvinistic about it, we feel that the time has come to field, in full internationals, a team based on Australian born or bred players.

" 'All countries — including England — practise this and nobody calls them bigots and zealots.' (End of quote.)

"So the question is, after 100 years of soccer in this country, why is it that we don't build a team of locally developed players. I put this question to Sir Arthur George, president of the Australian Soccer Federation."

Sir Arthur: "The people that were born outside Australia or even learned their soccer outside Australia who were in that team...they have all chosen this country as their home.

"We are a migrant country, we can't fly the rules of England and Germany and France and other more mature countries..."

Carr: "I believe it's wrong to exclude players like Eddie Krncevic, Sebastian Giampaolo, Arno Bertogna, Peter Raskopoulos, Ian Hunter...we have such young, brilliant locally developed players. Why aren't they in the team?"

Sir Arthur: "Well, I don't...I can't answer that question. My coach's instructions are first of all to be sole selector."

Two days later, Sir Arthur George was interviewed on Radio 2EA (Ethnic Radio) by Vlado Lusic.

This is the verbatim transcript of Sir Arthur's comments:

• ETHNIC RADIO

On Friday before the England match, you are aware that we had a media conference. At that media conference Gary Carr of Channel 7 took a long interview from Rudi Gutendorf.

In fact, on Channel 7 on that evening, he didn't show any of that interview but instead he made a statement that it was a pity that after 100 years of soccer Australia had a team full of foreigners.

This statement, I think, caused a lot of controversy. Last Wednesday, that is just before the Irish match, he rang me and said this is Gary Carr. I said I presume you're the character who made that shocking statement the other night. He said I didn't made a shocking statement but I've been merely misinterpreted. He said can I interview you and he came along and interviewed me.

And he said to me in the course of this interview, how can you explain Sir Arthur that after 100 years of soccer you have a team which doesn't consist of all Australian players or words to that effect.

I said Gary, the plain fact is that you and I differ as to what an Australian is. He interrupted me and said look, Cole came here at the age of 15 and he learned his soccer in Australia, I accept him as an Australian. They wouldn't accept him as an Englishman in England or as a German in Germany.

I said I won't buy that. First of all Germany and England and countries like that are net losers of population and we are a migrant country, a net gainer of population. We depend on the continued intake of migrants for the growth of the population of this country, for the growth of the prosperity of this country and I'm talking about an Australia that you haven't apparently realised exists. That's an Australia consisting of multiracials, a number of peoples and in my definition an Australian is one who comes to this country irrespective of his age, provided he forms a fair and honest and firm decision to make this his home, the place where he's going to live with his wife and bring up his children.

And he said well, that's nonsense, you know, the swimming people don't do that, or the tennis people. And I said most of the migrants who come to this country don't have the luxury of having the facilities to become swimming and tennis champions in their country but soccer is a common bond to all these people. It's the game in England, for the man in the cloth cap, the game in Europe for the average man of the street. Soccer is the focal point for getting these people together.

He said could you instruct your coach to only choose boys who developed their soccer in Australia. I said I could but I won't. My instructions to my coach are to pick the people who have the greatest skill irrespective of their ethnic origin, irrespective of how long they have been in this country.

But all other things being equal if he's got to choose between an older player and a younger player, my instructions are that he should choose youth.

And the fact is that after three and a half minutes of recording he didn't put that program on air. And I can only draw the conclusion that my answers didn't suit him. And this morning when Carolyn Jones of the ABC raised the issue he rang in and he purported to convey the discussion he had with me and in my opinion he misquoted me.

And I'm waiting now for the ABC to put to them what I'm now putting to you. I think this is a disgraceful situation and indication of some of the prejudice that exists in many quarters and not only towards migrants themselves but towards the sport which the migrants love.

• CONSISTENCY

In most respects, we agree with and admire Sir Arthur's sentiments and his firm stand for migrant rights.

But this is not *really* a migrant issue — it's a soccer matter.

We believe that Rudi Gutendorf's action — and Sir Arthur's support — in choosing allcomers for the Socceroo team is shortsighted and illogical.

For the past few years the ASF, largely at Sir Arthur's promptings, has been striving to "Australianise" soccer.

Philips League clubs have been told to shed their ethnic names and image to make the game more readily "acceptable" to the public, the media and sponsors.

A rather tough edict which has led to many name changes, the latest being APIA becoming Leichhardt.

Then the ASF has introduced new measures limiting the number of temporary visa players per club, in order to give local talent more "lebensraum."

Even some of the State Federations were pressed to introduce such legislation, curtailing the number of impor- [illegible]

For the last year or so, Rudi Gutendorf has been fighting tooth and nail to force PSL clubs to field at least one under-19 player in matches — again to build up the game's image.

But how can the ASF reconcile these moves with an open-house policy for the Socceroo team?

What's the use of limiting imports to PSL teams — when no such limit exists for the Socceroos?

This has nothing to do with migrant rights; let them come, let them play, let them earn their living, bring up their kids, enrich our society, culture and playing fields.

Sir Arthur not only misses this point — he is being inconsistent with his other policies which are, very properly, aimed at developing Australian soccer.

We don't blame Rudi Gutendorf at all. He is, after all, here only temporarily; after 1981 or 1982 at the latest, he'll be gone.

He's a professional coach who wants results, who wants to make his record look as good as possible.

But a coach's short-term ambitions seldom coincide with an association's long-term plans and hopes.

Sir Arthur shouldn't be too reluctant to issue a new set of instructions that, in the interest of our future development, only local players should appear for Australia.

There is nothing prejudicial about this; the livelihood of the players is not involved.

Ken Dalglish doesn't expect to play for England, Liam Brady for Scotland or Kevin Keegan for Germany just because they earn their living there.

Or — let's abandon all pretense about this much-vaunted Australianisation; let's have an open-house policy in the PSL as well.

If, as Sir Arthur says, the coach can pick the "people with the greatest skill irrespective of their ethnic origin," give the same right to the clubs, too and damn the public, damn the media and, most of all, damn the potential sponsors.

The Socceroos as they lined up against Northern Ireland in Sydney. From left: Henderson, Jankovics, Cole, Muir, Yzendoom, Selemidis, Perry, Prskalo, Tansey, Sharne, Woodhouse.

A cool hello in Adelaide?

Adelaide fans could give the Socceroos a fairly cool reception in the third international on Wednesday night: the team may not have a single local player.

Martyn Crook and John Nyskohus could get a run but neither is in Rudi Gutendorf's starting line-up.

In 1968, under similar circumstances with no Adelaide players in the team, the South Australian crowd openly barracked for Japan in an international and carried Kamamoto off the field in jubilation after Australia's loss.

In some ways it's surprising that so few Adelaide players are in the running for Socceroo squad berths.

David Jones, Agenor Muniz, Gary Marocchi, Bobby Russell (Adcity), John Kosmina and Vic Bozanic (Westad) are all former Socceroos currently out of favor.

Gutendorf's Australian team may be changed somewhat from Sunday's line-up.

Murray Barnes has university exams in Sydney and must miss the game; Jim Muir and Jim Rooney carry injuries.

If Muir does play, he can expect some ribbing from the crowd.

Not so many weeks ago he found it hard to make the Adelaide City team — and now he is a Socceroo.

Adelaide City coach Rale Rasic said last week Muir's selection was "ridiculous."

"Both Dave Jones and Bobby Russell are better players. There is something very strange in the fact that as soon as Muir moved to Sydney, Gutendorf picked him for his team."

If the Socceroos shed their ultra-defensive stance — playing with a sweeper and four fullbacks — they can even the series with a win.

2 TO 6

Conducted by Val Hokin
and Emmanuel Kanna

***WEST ST.GEORGE** (5th div.) playing their best football of the season, defeated Edensor Park 3-1. All West St.George goals came in the first half. Goal scorers were Alan Piggott, Andy Piggott and Steve King. Edensor's lone goal came from a penalty in the second half. The game had good fast football which St.George dominated for much of the match and with a little luck could have added another two or three in the second half. Outstanding players were Frank Hall, Alan Piggot and Don Killin. Reserve grade were unfortunate with Edensor scoring very early and West St.George attacking for the remainder of the match but failing after repeated shots, to find the net. Late in the second half they forced an own goal to equalise.*

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***GUILDFORD COUNTY** (2nd div.) played of the the two round 11 fixtures last weekend against Yagoona. First grade was played on a rather greasy and wet park. The first 17 minutes was end to end soccer with some good moves from both teams. Yagoona's midfield put Brett Gilligan through a gap and with a good solo run, found Guildford's 'keeper out of position and a good goal was scored. In the 40th minute Guildford struck back from a corner by Ross Metcalfe which found the head of Tony Glass. First half: 1-1. Two minutes into the second half, H. Walzl took on Yagoona's left back and skinned him, crossed the ball deep into Yagoona's goalmouth and after a challenge by S. Moss on the 'keeper the ball rebounded to Greg Lowe to net. A good first time ball by Guildford's Mick Lambert found Greg Lowe to score his second goal. Thereafter several chances were missed by both sides with Guildford retaining a 3-1 lead for the two points. The game was marred by an unfortunate incident when Yagoona's stalwart player and club official, John Major broke his ankle after landing awkwardly from a header.*

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***EASTWOOD ST.ANDREWS**(4th div.) were one of the clubs who were able to play two fixtures over last weekend. In the first match Eastwood went down 1-0 to Paddington Spanish in a game played defensively and with a lot of rough play. The winning goal for Spanish was scored nine minutes before fulltime. In this game two Eastwood players were injured and are possibly out for several weeks. Gary Sheringham, a winger, is on crutches with a badly bruised and cut leg, while Bruce Stewart has a suspected fractured foot. In the second match against Ryde District, Eastwood finished 3-1 winners with all goals coming in the last 30 minutes. The first goal by John Green was scored from a rebound, the other two goals were netted by Martin Liiv and Greg Perkins. Ryde District, having missed from a penalty shot in the first half, scored their only goal just three minutes from time. Eastwood's goalkeeper, John Bindley gave a great performance, especially saving the penalty, his eighth save out of nine this season!*

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***AUBURN JUN.** (5th div.) played Haberfield on a very wet and heavy ground last weekend. The first grade halftime score was 0-0. Midway through the second half a corner kick by Peter McAlister went to Ray McMillan to drive home from about nine metres out. The remainder of the match again was very even with Auburn maintaining their lead to gain their first two points of the season. Reserve grade saw Peter Hunt notch Auburn's first goal in the 10th minute from a good drive from outside the box. Their second goal came about from an own goal by Haberfield's 'keeper. Outstanding second grader was midfielder, Eddie Steveks and in first grade the star was another midfielder, Paul Parker. Auburn's first grade is made up of 50 percent of young 17-year-olds having come up through the club's junior ranks.*

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***NTH. BANKSTOWN** (2nd div.) were pleased to have Baulkham Hills visit Potts Park for the round 11 fixture. Baulkham Hills attacked early and were first to score in the 21st minute. Bankstown equalised in the 38th minute and after the interval steadied their play and showed some good attacking football to score three more goals, giving a final result of 4-1. The club officials and supporters are getting right behind the Federation squad.*

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***GLENQUARRIE** (6th div.) played away against Mt.Pritchard at Parkes Reserve last [illegible] a good pass from G. Distler went to S. Louski who put the ball away for 2-0. It was not until 10 minutes before fulltime that after a good run upfield by G. Distler and a fine pass [illegible] Wood found the net for Glenquarrie's third goal. Though winning 3-0 the team [illegible] into the opposition style of play failing to lift themselves to their own stan- [illegible] Eric Parmeter, Les Hutchen and Andy Davis.*

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***LIVERPOOL CITY** (6th div.), in front of a crowd of around 1,000 at Ernie Smith Reserve, last Monday played the division leaders, Moorebank. In first grade Moorebank scored early but City equalised in the 25th minute when John Davies picked up a loose ball just outside the box to score. Later in the first half Brian McGovern scored from the penalty spot for a 2-1 halftime lead. After the break, play see-sawed with both teams failing to capitalise on chances. City's 'keeper, Darryl Edwards had a top game and handled the greasy conditions very well, and on at least two occasions saved certain goals. Reserve grade was an exciting game with again Moorebank opening the scoreline right on halftime. City equalised in the 65th minute when Sam Oliver cut down the left side for a good goal. Moorebank came back quickly and went ahead 2-1. City fought back and Doug Duran scored with a top goal from 18 metres in the 80th minute.*

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***BLACKTOWN WANDERERS** (6th div.) in the match against South Sydney Districts enjoyed the wet conditions. Blacktown scored in the 20th minute with a Ray Stevenson goal. Five minutes later Stevenson again scored with a hard shot from outside the box. Wanderers' third goal was scored by Peter Como. South Sydney, always trying, were quick to break through a lax, over-confident defence and scored twice. Outstanding player was midfielder, Ian Lloyd. President, Joe Apap, would like to thank the committee members and supporters for their good wishes during his recent illness.*

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FIRST DIVISION

— By Charles Spiteri —

Heavy rain during the week has again played havoc with the competition and of the 14 games planned for Saturday and Monday only five were played.

Wollongong, the only team which managed to play both games got a big boost by getting maximum points beating the two Blacktowns, City and United and taking a giant step on the table.

Sydney City, who have been producing some very good football, but have hardly any points to show for it, came good against Warringah scoring five goals — all in the second half.

However, the highlight of the games that were played was a top hat-trick by Johnny Sackett for the students who really flattened Leichhardt in a hard but very entertaining game.

Sackett scored his hat-trick in the first half to give University an unbreakable grip on the game.

Yet the young Leichhardt side kept coming forward and with better finishing could have considerably narrowed the margin.

In the other game played, Polonia and Yugal fought out a scoreless draw on a saturated pitch which was hardly playable.

POLONIA v YUGAL 0-0

Polonia: Limb, McGrath (Okon), Illingworth, R. Budini, Hardy, Wisniewski, Lemanczyk, Carruthers, Sookee (Strzelecki), Harris, A. Budini. **Coach:** S. Wozniczka.
Yugal: Kostidis, Cabreira, Radivojavic, Grubic, Clark, Novakovic, O'Brien (M. Alagich), Todorovski, Kapisca, Rodas, Tanoski. **Coach:** I. Takac.

UNI OF NSW v LEICHHARDT 4-1

Uni of NSW: Galen, Wren, Hughes, T. Popovich, Erhardt, Harris, Tomasich, Kay (Skuric), Kelly, Benecke, Sackett. **Coach:** R. Harbour.
Leichhardt: Radojevic, Secon, Brown, Gray, Casachie, Watt, Devanzo, Triantafyllou, Savidis, Gaitatzis, De Ciglie (Ius). **Coach:** C. Van Blerk.
Goals: Sackett 3, Kay; Triantafyllou.

Westfield

TODD CLARKE

SYDNEY CITY v WARRINGAH 5-1

Sydney City: Clarke, McGrouther, Svynos, Stead, Woods, Henry, Sorge, Borges, Rodriguez, Miladinski, Hood. **Coach:** D. Hoggart.
Warringah: Hersee, Collins, Carpenter, Duncan, Van Der Saag, B. Beverley, Euers, Sandtner, Hopkins, S. Beverley (Griffiths.) **Coach:** Z. Napta.
Goals: Hood (2), Borges, Svynos, Henry; S. Beverley.

WOLLONGONG v BLACKTOWN CITY 2-0

Wollongong: Vardereff, Montecchi, Talevski, Campbell, Traikovski, H. Sattin (Terziovski), R. Sattin, Bingham (Vlietstra), Dafkovski, Fontana, Giraldi. **Coach:** M. Johnson.
Blacktown City: James, Brown, B. Campbell, Pena, D. Campbell, Dolton, Ortega, Cuff, Pearson (Rasmussen), Manning, Fisher. **Coach:** A. Edmondson.
Goals: Giraldi, R. Sattin.

WOLLONGONG v BLACKTOWN UNITED 2-0

Wollongong: Vardereff, Montecchi, Talevski, Campbell, Traikovski, H. Sattin, R. Sattin, Bingham, Dafkovski, Fontana, Giraldi. **Coach:** M. Johnson.
Blacktown United: Rentovetsky, Sutton, Eldridge, Ber, Murray, Young (Hannish), Crone, Clarke, De Valle, Svarc (Boland), Milakovic. **Coach:** D. Zeman.
Goals: Fontana (2).

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DIVISION 2

North Bankstown v Gladesville Ravens, Sun., Potts Park; Gladesville Hornsby v Baulkham Hills, Sat., Epping Oval; Queens Park E/S v Marrickville, Sun., Erskineville Oval; Guildford County v Dee Why, Sun., Guildford Park; Lethbridge Rangers v Yagoona, Sat., Popondetta Park; Lane Cove v Campbelltown, Sun., Pottery Green; Yagoona v Baulkham Hills, Sun., Condell Park.

DIVISION 3

Bonnyrigg Eagles v Campbelltown City, Sat., St.Johns Park; West Ryde Rovers V Artarmon, Sun., L.H. Waud S/G; Kingsford v Hurstville-Zagreb, Sun., Turruwull Park; Port Hacking v Bondi Marine, Sat., Seymour Shaw Park; Wenty Waratahs v Riverstone, Sun., Centenary Park; North Ryde v Ashcroft, Sat., North Ryde Oval.

DIVISION 4

Chelsea v Ryde District, Sun., Undecided; Eastern Creek v Canley Heights, Sun., Cawarra Park; Padstow Park v West Holroyd S/C, Sun., Walshaw; Paddington Spanish v Maroubra Utd., Sun., Campbell Park; Eastwood S/A v Revesby Rovers, Sun., Eastwood Oval.

DIVISION 5

Camden v Macquarie Uni., Sun., Ponderosa Park; Edensor Park v Winston Hills, Sat., King Tomislav Park; Pagewood v West St.George, Sun., Jellicoe Park; Auburn Juniors v Fairfield West, Sun., Progress Park; Haberfield B/D's v Sydney Maccabi, Sun., Beaman Park; North Rocks v Concordia, Sat., Murray Farm Reserve.

DIVISION 6

Mt.Pritchard v Hawkesbury Dist., Sun., Parkes Res.; Blacktown Wands. v Glenquarrie Utd., Sun., Grantham H/S; Sth.Sydney Dist. v Chullora, Sun., Booralee Park; Liverpool City v Green Valley Utd., Sun., Ernie Smith Res.; Liverpool Utd. v Moorebank, Sun., Childs Park; Bankstown Sports v Liverpool Rangers, Sat., Condell Park H/S.

Last week

STATE LEAGUE

	I	II	III
Melita v Bankstown	4-1	—	—
Syd.Olympic v Monaro	2-1	—	—
Auburn v Avala	1-1	1-1	1-0
Cant.M'ville v Parramatta	4-1	3-2	—

DIVISION 1

Polonia v Yugal	0-0	—	—
Syd.City v Warringah	5-1	3-3	3-0
Wollongong v Blackt.Utd	2-0	2-2	0-2
Wollongong v Blackt.Cty	2-0	4-2	2-0
Uni of NSW v Leichhardt	4-1	0-4	1-2

DIVISION2

Nth.Bankst.v Baulk.Hlls	4-1	3-2	2-1
Guildford v Yagoona	3-1	3-3	6-1

DIVISION 3

Syd.Uni v West Ryde	—	5-2
Artarmon v Kingsford	—	3-0

DIVISION 4

Chelsea v Fairfield	—	2-2
Ryde Dist.v Revesby	1-2	2-1
Paddington v Eastwood	1-0	1-0
Eastwood v Ryde Dist.	3-1	4-0

DIVISION 5

Auburn v Haberfield	1-0	2-0
Mac.Uni v Concordia	0-1	1-0
Camden v Winston Hls.	0-6	0-2
Edensor Pk v W.St.Geo.	1-3	1-1
Pagewood v Fairfield W.	0-0	0-5

DIVISION 6

Mt.Pritchard v Glenquar.	0-3	1-4
Blacktown v Sth.Sydney	4-2	2-0
L'pool Utd.v Bankstown	0-0	3-3
Bankstwn v Hawkesbury	0-6	1-8
Green Valley v Sth.Syd.	4-1	8-0
L'pool v Moorebank	2-1	2-2

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WESTERN DIVISION

ROUND 18, JUNE 21

Sydney City	v Ku-ring-gai	Saturday, Parklands
St.George	v Canterbury	Saturday, Carass Park
Sutherland	v APIA	Saturday, Lambert
Illawarra	v Sydney Olympic	Saturday, Balgownie
Central Coast: Bye		
Arncliffe Scot	v Manly	Saturday, Hurstville
Bankstown	v Southern Eastern	Saturday, Bankstown S/C

EASTERN DIVISION

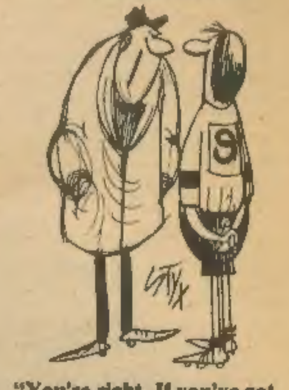
ROUND 17, JUNE 21

Gladesville	v Southern District	Saturday, Epping
Polonia	v Marconi	Saturday, Marconi
Melita	v Western NSW	Saturday, B.O.D. No.2
Baulkham Hills	v Nepean	Saturday, Ted Horwood
Blacktown City	v Blacktown Ass.	Saturday, Ashley Brown
Blacktown Utd.	v Auburn	Saturday, Francis.

LAST WEEK

WESTERN	14s	16s	18s
Gladesv. v Marconi	1-0	7-0	1-4
Sth.Dist.v Auburn	1-0	3-8	0-4
EASTERN			
St.Geo. v Kuringai	4-0	2-0	1-1
APIA v Illawarra	1-1	1-0	3-3
Sth.&East v Arncliffe	0-0	2-2	1-1
Sth.& East v Syd.City	4-0	2-3	1-3
St.George v Manly	4-0	1-0	4-0
Suth'land v Kuringai	3-1	4-0	3-0
Cant'bury v Illawarra	0-0	1-0	1-2

(Other games washed out; standings next week.)



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Pecking order may change at the top

— By Andrew Dettre —

Sydney City could climb to the top of the PSL on Sunday afternoon.

They will be at home to South Melbourne while the current leaders, on a goal difference, Heidelberg, visit Blacktown City.

It will be interesting to see how the Heidelberg and Marconi stars will come out of their three-match ordeal against Northern Ireland.

Quite often, the return to plain cooking after an international feast produces a letdown.

Sydney City could be too fast and too slick for South Melbourne even though three of their players — Barnes, Boden and Mullen — have also been involved in the Socceroo games.

Bertie Lutton is certain to have a most unpleasant opponent in Mark Trenter and if the big Welshman can dislodge the former Irish international from his safe central defensive position, the other Slickers may do the rest.

Our tip: Sydney City 2-0.

At Gabbie Stadium, Blacktown's task will be a difficult one against the classy Heidelberg.

Last week Blacktown came down to earth with a heavy thud and they still need poin[illegible] to feel safe from relegation worries later.

Heidelberg look far too polished and composed and only battle-fatigue by their internationals may cause some problem.

Our tip: Heidelberg 3-1.

At Lambert Park, the hapless Leichhardt will meet Newcastle in what may be a desperate affair.

Gradually Leichhardt are sliding towards the bottom and despite coach Willie Wallace's brave words, appear to have a very ordinary squad which will struggle to survive.

There is very little poise and character in the team and, in a few positions, they have very pronounced weaknesses.

Newcastle seldom excel away from home and they also find goals hard to get.

Our tip: 1-1 draw.

In Canberra, the quickly rebuilt St.George could make it three wins in succession.

The hosts have gone off the boil: in their last two games they couldn't score a single goal.

They will need Giampaolo, Valeri, Maclaren and the others back at their very best to record a win.

The Saints are now playing well, with confidence and they're getting the goals, too.

Our tip: St.George 2-1.

West Adelaide is another team that must begin to have some relegation fears and the balanced Lions won't make things easier for them.

Westad have a pretty good home record this season and this must give them hope.

However, Lions are masters of gaining points interstate: they have lost only twice in seven outings.

Our tip: 1-1 draw.

Brisbane City, not so long ago the hoodoo team of Marconi, will try to catch the Fairfielders off guard.

City's draw in Melbourne last week indicates that they are fighting hard to get away from the bottom.

Marconi, having lost their last two matches, must simply come good now if they are to stay in the title race.

The question is now fresh will be the Marconi Socceroos after their three internationals: even Peter Sharne's rocket fuel can be depleted.

Our tip: Marconi 2-1.

Footscray's good run has had a few setbacks lately and they will not have a picnic against the vastly improved Adelaide City.

Fashanu and young Barnes are getting goals regularly for Adcity now and with that, the team's composure is also returning.

Our tip: Adelaide City 1-0.

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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Blacktown C.	v Heidelberg	Gabbie Stadium	3.00
Sydney City	v Sth.Melb.	Syd.Athletic Fld.	3.00
W.Adelaide	v Bris.Lions	Hindmarsh Stad.	2.30
[illegible]	v Marconi	Perry Park	3.00
Canberra City	v St.George	Bruce Stadium	3.00
Footscray	v Adelaide City	Olympic Park	3.00

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

(Round 2)			
Footscray	v Canberra	Olympic Park	3pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

(Round 12)			
Brisbane City	v Brisb. Lions	Perry Park	3pm
(Round 13)			
Marconi	v West Adel.	Marconi Stadium	3pm
St.George	v Sydney City	Barton Park	3pm
(Round 15)			
Heidelberg	v Sth.Melb.	Olympic Field	3pm

Season's Greetings to Australian soccer, its officials, players and supporters.

PHILIPS

MATCH POST-MORTEM

By Andrew Dettre

He's young (23), tall, handsome, intelligent and articulate — and, on top of that, he's one of Australia's best goalies. Mike Fraser of St.George shot into the limelight some three or four seasons ago with APIA, then had a spell with a West German amateur club at Bonn before joining the Saints last term. Just as he was to become a permanent member of the Socceroos, a kick in the face broke his nose and caused severe eye injuries. Now this ambitious young man is firmly on the come-back trail.

SW: When did you have your eye operation?

MF: In February, when they repaired a dislodged retina. This is now about my fifth or sixth game since my comeback. I was a bit surprised to get back into the first team at once, as I expected to have a few games in the reserves first.

SW: Last year you were in the Australian squad but you've dropped out since.

MF: I didn't expect to get back straight away though I'm happy with my performances now. So I just have to wait for somebody to drop out. Greg Woodhouse isn't in very good form at the moment. Banovic may go to England so there could be a few spots for grabs.

SW: People like to compare our best goalkeepers in this country and they mention Woodhouse, Banovic, Crook and yourself at the top of the list. If you were Gutendorf, whom would you pick?

MF: On last year's form I'd say you have to pick Woodhouse but this year he hasn't been playing so well. I'm not going to mention myself though, of course, I'd like to be there, so I'd say now it's between Woodhouse and Crook, it's just a matter of who is in form.

SW: Do you know that last year the Saints were hesitating whether to sign you or Woodhouse?

MF: Yes, I knew it at the time. I had a clause in my contract which said that I could get away from APIA for $5,000. So when the Saints offered me terms, I said OK but it still took some weeks because at that time APIA were merging with Wests and they had to sort out staff problems.

SW: How do you get on with Woodhouse?

MF: All right, but I don't know him that well. I don't know him at all outside soccer.

SW: Are you sorry for having left APIA last year?

MF: Oh no. I think the set-up here — the club, the stadium, the committee — everything is so well organised. I'm sorry to hear stories from my friends that Leichhardt is in disarray, the spirit is down, the team is down.

SW: Your club, St.George, have collected four points in the last two games now and have started to climb towards the middle. What has caused this vast improvement in the team?

MF: To a big degree, the arrival of Peter Stone, Ernie Campbell and Johnny Russell. Before that we had younger players and it's clear that we needed some older, more experienced players to blend in. *There's a heck of a lot more fight in the team now that just wasn't there before. They got a goal against us and we just packed up.*

SW: What do you think would have happened without these new players?

MF: I think we'd still be battling very much.

SW: Where do you work now?

MF: I'm at the Australian Oil Refinery at Kurnell but I'm hoping to get into the Taxation Department, as an accountant. That would fit in well with my soccer as I could take time off for tours.

SW: How do you think the Saints will finish the season?

MF: If we keep going like this we could finish in the top half. With 10 straight wins we could even get into the Top Four...

SW: No more relegation worries?

MF: Oh no, no way, not any more.

SW: But some three weeks ago?

MF: Yes, I had some. But I doubt very much that the PSL would have relegated St.George because of the facilities and so on. But I was afraid of finishing right at the bottom. This fear has now gone.

PSL 1980 SCOREBOARD

PSL 1980	Marconi	Heidelberg	Sydney City	Brisbane City	Adelaide City	Newcastle	W.Adelaide	Leichhardt	Brisb.Lions	Footscray	St.George	Canberra	S.Melbourne	Blacktown
Marconi	★	1-1		4-0					2-1	2-2	0-0			9-0
Heidelberg		★		3-1		4-0	4-2			3-2	4-2			5-1
Sydney City	2-1	1-1	★		2-1	2-0	7-0	4-2				0-2		
Brisbane City			1-0	★	1-2	1-2		1-0		1-1	0-1		0-1	
Adelaide City	0-1	1-0		0-0	★		1-0	2-0	0-0	4-1				3-2
Newcastle	0-1		0-3		3-1	★	2-0	1-0	0-0			0-4		
W.Adelaide		1-0		1-0		1-1	★			0-2	1-0			4-2
Leichhardt	2-2	0-5			2-1		2-0	★			1-2	2-1		0-0
Brisb.Lions			2-0				2-1	2-1	★			0-0	1-2	1-0
Footscray			1-2	1-1		2-1			3-1	★	5-3		3-0	
St.George					1-4	0-3		1-0	2-3		★	1-5	0-3	4-1
Canberra	0-1	0-1		1-1	1-0		4-3		2-4	0-0		★		0-1
S.Melbourne	3-1	0-0	1-2		2-1			1-0	2-2			1-0	★	
Blacktown	5-1		1-3	3-1		1-1				3-0	4-2		0-3	★

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

	AGGREGATE								HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	±	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1 (1) HEIDELBERG	13	8	3	2	31	12	+19	19	6	6	—	—	23	8	12	7	2	3	2	8	4	7
2 (2) SYDNEY CITY	13	9	1	3	28	13	+15	19	7	5	1	1	18	7	11	6	4	—	2	10	6	8
3 (3) SOUTH MELBOURNE	13	8	2	3	19	11	+ 8	18	7	4	2	1	10	6	10	6	4	—	2	9	5	8
4 (4) MARCONI	13	6	4	3	26	16	+10	16	6	3	3	—	18	4	9	7	3	1	3	8	12	7
5 (6) ADELAIDE CITY	15	7	2	6	21	16	+ 5	16	8	5	2	1	11	4	12	7	2	—	5	10	12	4
6 (5) BRISBANE LIONS	13	6	4	3	19	15	+ 4	16	6	4	1	1	8	4	8	7	2	3	2	11	11	7
7 (7) FOOTSCRAY	13	5	4	4	23	21	+ 2	14	6	4	1	1	15	8	9	7	1	3	3	8	13	5
8 (8) CANBERRA	14	5	3	6	20	15	+ 5	13	8	2	2	4	8	11	6	6	3	1	2	12	4	7
9(10) NEWCASTLE	14	5	3	6	14	20	– 6	13	7	3	1	3	6	9	7	7	2	2	3	8	11	6
10 (9) BLACKTOWN	15	5	2	8	24	37	–13	12	7	4	1	2	17	11	9	8	1	1	6	7	26	3
11(11) WEST ADELAIDE	14	5	1	8	15	27	–12	11	7	5	1	1	9	5	11	7	—	—	7	6	22	—
12(14) ST.GEORGE	14	4	1	9	19	34	–15	9	7	2	—	5	9	19	4	7	2	1	4	10	15	5
13(12) LEICHHARDT	14	3	2	9	12	23	–11	8	7	3	2	2	9	11	8	7	—	—	7	3	12	—
14(13) BRISBANE CITY	14	2	4	8	9	20	–11	8	7	2	1	4	5	7	5	7	—	3	4	4	13	3

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This is the full update of all deferred Philips League matches:

Footscray v Canberra (Round 2) — Sat., June 28.
Brisbane City v Lions (Round 12) — Sun., June 29.
Lions v Heidelberg (Round 13) — Wed., Aug.13.
Newcastle v Sth.Melbourne (Round 13) — Sat., Aug. 2. *
Marconi v West Adelaide (Round 13) — Sun., June 29.
St.George v Sydney City (Round 13) — Sun., June 29.
Footscray v Leichhardt (Round 13) — Sun., Aug. 3 *
Heidelberg v Sth.Melbourne (Round 15) — Sun., June 29
Marconi v Sydney City (Round 15) — Wed., Aug. 6
Footscray v Brisbane City (Round 15) — Sat., June 14

* These dates are tentative and will be changed if any of the teams involved reach the quarterfinals of the Philips Cup.

PHILIPS CUP

ROUND 2

Beograd Woodville v Spearwood Dalmatinac — Hindmarsh, 7.30, Wednesday, July 2
Newcastle United v Marconi — International Sports Centre, 2.30, Saturday, July 5.
Mt.Gravatt v Brisbane Lions — Perry Park, 3pm, Sunday, July 6.
Leichhardt v Sydney City — Lambert Park, 3pm, Sunday, July 6.
St.George v Blacktown United — Barton Park, 3pm, Sunday, July 6.
Canberra City v Preston — Bruce Stadium, 3pm, Sunday, July 6.
South Melbourne v Heidelberg — Middle Park, 3pm, Sunday July 6.
Adelaide City v Green Gully — Olympic Field, 2.30, Sunday, July 6.

TOP SCORERS

G. COLE (Heidelberg)	**17**
M. BARNES (Sydney City)	**8**
K. BODEN (Sydney City)	**8**
D. DUARTE (St.George)	**8**
E. KRNCEVIC (Marconi)	**8**
M. JANKOVICS (Marconi)	**7**
J. NYSKOHUS (Adel.City)	**7**
S. GIAMPAOLO (Canberra)	**6**

Yes, Pele, there's a little Klaus...

Klaus Okon, (pictured with John Warren), 11 years, of Fairfield, was drawn out of over 500 participating boys of the Johnny Warren Soccer Academies, May period, as winner of the 'trip of the lifetime'.

Klaus is a pupil of Patrician Brothers' College, Fairfield.

Sponsored by the Academy and Adidas, Klaus will travel together with Johnny Warren and some other boys and their parents to the USA, leaving on July 3. Klaus will spend two days *on exciting sightseeing tours* in New York, including a helicopter flight.

Klaus will then check into the Pele Soccer Camps for seven days, and during his time there will also see the famous New York Cosmos play, as well as a game of baseball of the New York Yankees.

After completion of the Pele Soccer Camp Klaus will travel to Los Angeles to spend two days in Disneyland, before he returns home.

All travel arrangements have been made through Piccadilly Travel.

Johnny Warren Soccer Academies are operating again during the forthcoming August-September holidays in eight locations and further details will be released in the near future.

For further information please contact Christine Finke (02) 356 1766.

W.A. to N.Z.

Inglewood Kiev, one of our top First Division sides in Perth, will travel to New Zealand in October 1980, to play against four national league sides.

It would be interesting to see a Sydney PSL team meet them on their way.

Kiev are coached by former Australian international Jimmy Pearson, and they have in their squad the last two Rothmans Medal winners in Lee Adam and Vince Alcock.

Nick McCallum, a striker who played in Sydney some years ago, brilliant midfielder John Davidson who played for Australia's "B" on a tour to Indonesia in 1974 and goalie, former Norwich City first team man Mike Palmer are some of the stars.

— Barrie Greenwood

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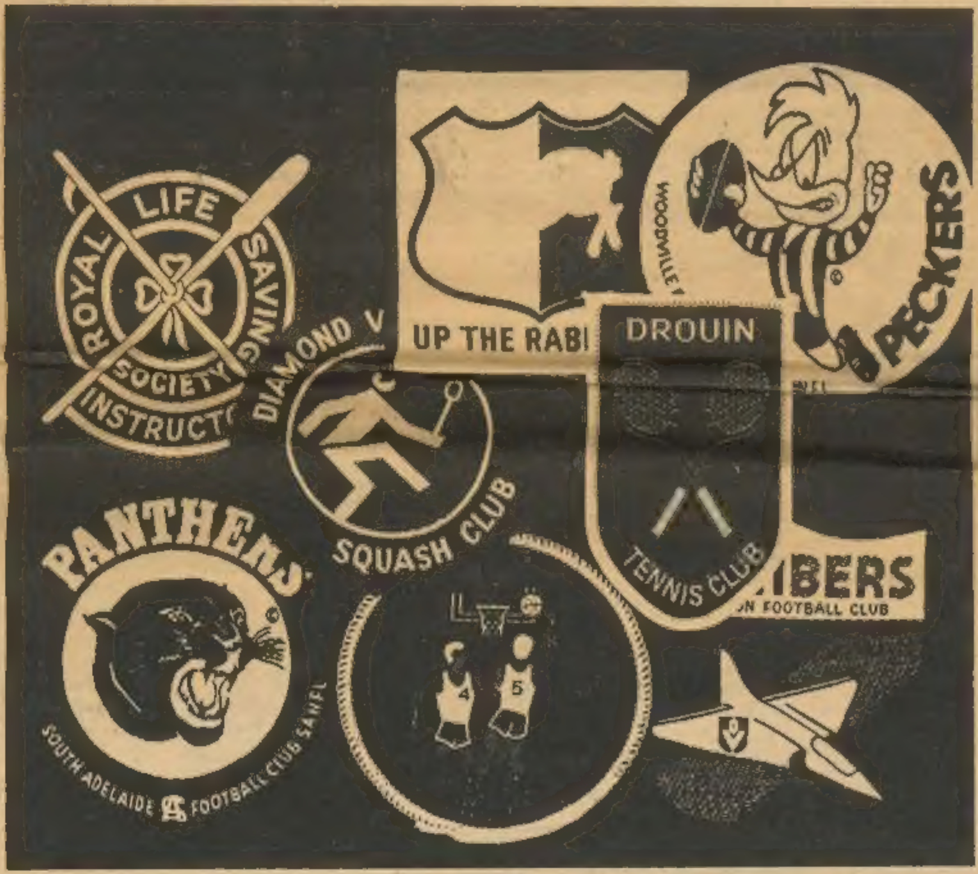

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TOO LITTLE AND ALSO TOO LATE

— By Andrew Dettre —

Australia's birthday celebrations continued quietly in Sydney last week with yet another "respectable" defeat, losing 1-2 to Northern Ireland.

Just as against England, Australia scored its lone goal after 0-2 when all seemed lost.

This wasn't a great match at all: the small crowd, the lack of glamour players and the controversy about the Australian team flattened the atmosphere.

The first 10 minutes produced cautious sparring. But in the 11th minute tragedy struck.

Jim Tansey, running with the ball, stumbled into an Irishman and lost the ball; it went to Chris Nicholl whose low shot from some 25 metres zoomed into the corner with Woodhouse diving a trifle late.

In the 18th minute Boden replaced Selemidis (Gutendorf: "I felt it wouldn't be Selemidis' day") and the Australian midfield picked up.

In the 33rd minute a brilliant Irish move involving five players failed to result in a goal and a minute later Sharne's cross was headed over the bar by Jankovics in the goalmouth.

Krncevic replaced Cole after the interval but it wasn't his day, either. In the 46th minute his close left foot volley went hopelessly wide and in the 58th, after picking up a loose backpass, he shot hurriedly in the goalmouth and missed by several feet.

Just before that, however, the Irish went further ahead.

A corner from the right was cleared short by Prskalo, the ball was centred again, sailing over the stranded Woodhouse; Armstrong headed it back from the far post to the middle and there was John O'Neill (and NOT Martin O'Neill, as reported in the dailies) to nod it home from two metres.

In the last 20 minutes Australia took over the initiative and launched some confident attacks.

In the 75th minute Yzendoorn's long throughball was seized by Sharne; he sped past his fullback and delicately slot- [illegible]

In the closing stages the Aussies had one or two half chances but lacked the calm, determined finishing touch to force a draw.

On *the* whole, the Socceroos couldn't reproduce their England-form which, possibly, would have been enough for a draw here.

The defence was often hesitant and built up too slowly, stifling the attacking pattern of the team.

There weren't enough overlaps from Tansey and Perry and when they did move up, the crosses were inaccurate.

It's highly doubtful if the Muir-Prskalo central defensive tandem will survive for long: they lack speed and allow acres of room for the opponents; once again, as in the England match, both goals came from their zone.

(Gutendorf: "Jim Muir was our best man...")

Yzendoorn was the most effective in midfield though Henderson was again enterprising.

Boden held the ball cleverly playing off the difficult Martin O'Neill but couldn't get involved in the finishing moves.

The attack disappointed: only Sharne's occasional speed could be praised.

The ancient Australian soccer malady surfaced once again: we find it hard to build up with one-touch flicks into gaps, the balls are played to the feet of the players who can't turn, the strikers don't run off the ball enough, etc.

For the second international in 10 days, the only goal scored by the Socceroos [illegible] Sharne's dash; our combinative capabilities up front are severely limited.

The Northern Ireland team seemed frisky at the start and tired at the end.

(Manager Billy Bingham: "At halftime some of our players almost fell asleep because of jet lag.")

They played a clean, composed type of soccer with excellent ball control and clever interchanging moves.

But they showed us nothing new that we haven't seen over the years from a dozen or more other British teams.

AUSTRALIA: Woodhouse, Perry, Muir, Prskalo, Tansey (Mullen 80m), Henderson, Yzendoorn, Selemidis (Boden 18m), Jankovics (Rooney 70m), Cole (Krncevic 45m), Sharne.

NTH.IRELAND: Platt, J. Nicholl, C. Nicholl, J. O'Neill, McClelland, Cassidy (B. Hamilton 84m), Finney (McCreery 84m), M. O'Neill, Brotherston (Copeland 46m), Armstrong (Spence 84m), W. Hamilton.

Goals: C. Nicholl (11m), J. O'Neill (53m), Sharne (75m).

Referee: P. Rampley; **crowd:** 12,000.

Henderson (No.4) in an aerial battle against Northern Ireland in the Sydney match.

SCOREBOARD

AUSTRALIA v NTH. IRELAND 1-2

	FIRST HALF		SECOND HALF		TOTAL	
	Aust.	Nth. Ireland	Aust.	Nth. Ireland	Aust.	Nth. Ireland
GOALS	—	1	1	1	1	2
Shots on target	1	1	3	1	4	2
Shots wide	1	2	2	1	3	3
Freekicks	4	8	9	3	13	11
Throw-ins	8	8	11	11	19	10
Off sides	1	—	—	1	1	1
Corners	5	1	2	5	7	6

The Irishman celebrate a goal, Eddie Krncevic (left) can't even bear to look at them...

Some of the comments of Rudi Gutendorf after the Northern Ireland match in Sydney:

"The Irish defence was so tight in the first half that we couldn't break through.

"Muir was our best man but Perry was also excellent.

"I'm satisfied with this great result, the boys fought to the last minute, we could have even equalised.

"After all, we played against the British champions.

"We were unfortunate with Woodhouse, I blame him for the second goal.

"We mustn't criticise our team when we play some of the best sides in the world."

Billy Bingham, Northern Ireland manager:

"It was a good match and a good practice.

"We did feel the effects of the jet lag. At halftime many players complained about it; I almost fell asleep on the bench in the second half."

Barnes the hero in Melbourne tie

— By Peter Desira —

Jim Muir hit back at the controversy over his inclusion in the Australian line-up by playing brilliantly in Australia's creditable 1-1 draw.

Muir and Murray Barnes linked up so well in the centre of the Australian defence that they could hold that position for some time.

"We have not got two better central defenders than these two," mused Rudi Gutendorf after the match.

"Barnes was the best man on the field — strong in the air and great on the ground.

"Muir was even better in the air, although not so good on the floor," he added.

"Without such giants in defence you cannot play teams like England and Ireland — headed goals would be inevitable against us," he said.

The wind blowing down the length of the ground proved the decisive factor in the match.

With its support in the first half the Socceroos started well and outplayed the Irish for most of the first 45 minutes, taking a deserved lead in the 18th minute. The goal came as a result of a long throw-in by Murray Barnes to the right of the penalty area.

Eddie Krncevic headed the ball on and Peter Sharne stuck the goal away from just inside the six metre box.

After a burst of Irish pressure on the half hour mark, Sharne almost made it 2-0 in a quick breakaway initiated by Tony Henderson and involving Cole.

But the Marconi speedster's shot was just wide of the far post.

Gutendorf's instructions at halftime were to defend in depth because of the wind.

This ploy enabled the Irish to see much more of the ball and they dictated terms in the middle of the park for the rest of the match.

But despite dominating in midfield, Yakka Banovic was forced into only one real save off a Hamilton header before the Irish equalised through Martin O'Neil.

"We had 75 percent of play," lamented Bingham after the match, "but bad finishing by our forwards let us down."

"In the end it took a special goal by Martin O'Neill for us to equalise."

And special it was.

His curling shot from the right caught Banovic unsighted and zoomed in at the far post. The extra burden of defence had its toll on the Australians and they began to tire in the last 10 minutes.

The Irish team has been well received on the tour but one person who has not been impressed by them is Victorian State coach, Len McKendry.

"I saw them in both matches" he said after the Olympic Park game, "and they are the worst side to come to Australia since Dundee.

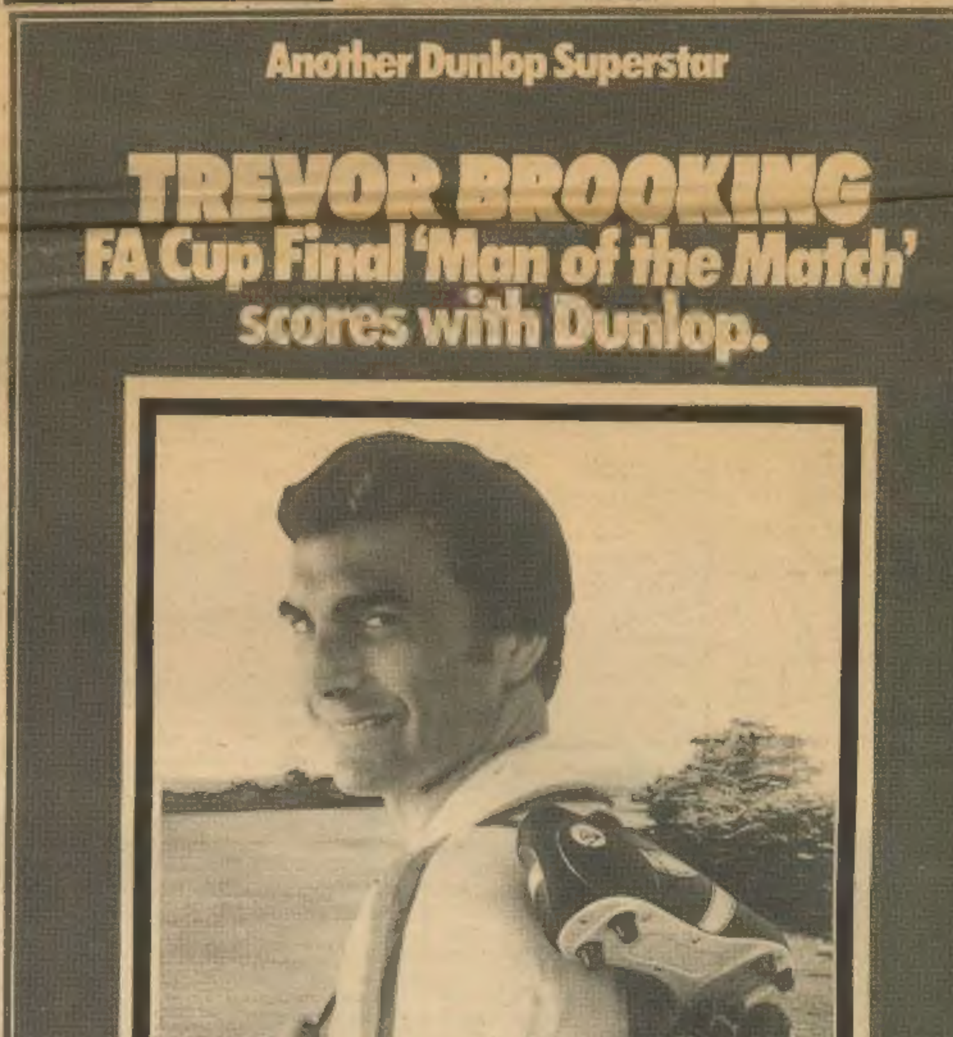
"They are no better than an English Third Division team and played like it," he added.

AUSTRALIA: Banovic, Prskalo, Yzendoorn, Muir, Barnes, Tansey, Rooney (Jankovics), Henderson, Krncevic, Cole (Boden 73m), Sharne (Davidson 85m).

NTH. IRELAND: Platt, J. Nicholl, C. Nicholl, J. O'Neill, McClelland, M. O'Neill, Cassidy, McCreery (Cochrane 66m), Brotherston, Hamilton, Armstrong.

Goals: 1-0 Sharne (18m), 1-1 M. O'Neill (82m).

Referee: S. Mellings (Vic.); **crowd:** 10,000; **caution:** Barnes.



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ADELAIDE CITY 2(1)
LEICHHARDT 0

Goals: 1-0 Barnes (14m), 2-0 Fashanu (47m).

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 5, Besir 5, Jones 5, Russell 4, B. Nyskohus 4, Perin 3, Muniz 4, J. Nyskohus 4, Melta 4, Barnes 4, **Fashanu 5. Coach:** R. Rasic.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 3, Wilson 4, Pullen 3, McGinn 4, Skellern 4, Bradley 4, Coyne 4, Harding 4, Butler 4, O'Connor 4, McKie 3 (Drews 57m). **Coach:** W. Wallace.

Referee: K. Allen (ACT); **crowd:** 3,200.

There was much talk in the Leichhardt dressing room after this match regarding the morals of fielding guest players in our domestic competition.

The subject was raised because of the huge impact made by City's star guest Justin Fashanu from Norwich City.

The Under-21 English international scored City's insurance goal after his English colleague Colin Barnes had put the home side in the lead in the 14th minute.

Fashanu had earlier rattled the crossbar with a header from a great Bugsy Nyskohus left-wing cross and 12 minutes from fulltime he headed the "goal" of the match only to have it disallowed for elbowing an opponent as he leapt goalwards.

Fashanu certainly supplied the inspiration for City's success, while David Jones, John Besir, Sergio Melta, Bugsy Nyskohus and Peter Marshall contributed the defensive strength needed to quell the eager Leichhardt contingent.

From the outset, Leichhardt, seemingly untroubled by the gluepot conditions, unleashed some fine methodical football.

Leichhardt survived Fashanu's early miss, but the Sydneysiders were rocked when Barnes thudded a header past Greg Woodhouse after Jones had relayed the ball from an Agenor Muniz corner.

Leichhardt went close to equalising eight minutes later as John Bradley floated a neat cross into the box where Terry Butler's header hit the diving Marshall on his chest.

Woodhouse then saved a Fashanu header from Sergio Melta pass before Marshall thwarted a John McKie attempt with a great reflex save.

Socceroo winger Phil O'Connor was well contained by Melta until two minutes before halftime when he broke into the box but shot high over the crossbar.

O'Connor went closer seconds later as he crashed an angled drive against the near post.

But Fashanu supplied the clincher two minutes after the resumption when he expertly floated a tantalising lob over Woodhouse.

— Allan Crisp

2

NEWCASTLE 2(0)
WEST ADELAIDE 0

Goals: 1-0 Burrows (53m), 2-0 McClelland (89m).

NEWCASTLE: Dando 4, **Reaney 5,** Drinkwater 4, Summerscales 3, Curran 4, Senkalski 4, McClelland 3, Tredinnick 3, Kamasz 3, (Heys 84m), Burrows 3, Jones 4. **Coach:** A. Vest.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 3, Mackie 3, Maricic 3, Topaz 3, McGregor 3, (Tymczyszyn 75m), Carruthers 4, Norris 4, Bozanic 3, Manecas 3, Honeyman 4, Key 3, (Doorne 80m). **Coach:** G. Chaldi.

Referee: R. Lorenc (NSW); **crowd:** 4,429.

The Newcastle goal famine ended eight minutes into the second period when Paul Burrows gleefully headed a clever goal from a David Jones cross.

But West Adelaide's performance was unbelievably bad, the side showing little cohesion or determination and had chances been accepted Newcastle could have established a 3-0 lead at halftime.

Jones, who foraged hard throughout, twice sent wide with headed efforts while on other occasions the Newcastle attackers got rid of the ball as though it was a hot potato rather than accepting the responsibility of goal scoring.

This lack of confidence seemed justified with Newcastle failing to find the net in their previous four matches, though David Kamasz might have sent the fans into a happy frame of mind in the opening minutes.

He tried a speculative shot from 35 metres which almost caught goalkeeper Martyn Crook unawares, the ball dipping in and Crooks doing well to punch over for a fruitless corner kick.

Jones hammered the ball against the outrushing Crook and from the rebound Tredinnick struck the upright and minutes later did squeeze the ball in the net but a pushing infringement nullified the score.

Finally Newcastle struck the lead. A throw in by Curran was switched on by Jones for Burrows to time his header to perfection and goalkeeper Crook was at last beaten.

The tempo of the game accelerated after this goal with West Adelaide forced to come out of their defensive shell in a bid for the equalising goal.

It was at this stage that Senkalski, in his first appearance for Newcastle for many weeks, found the open spaces he appreciates to spray out many telling passes and add culture to the Newcastle United performance.

But it was not until the final minute that Newcastle were able to stamp their superiority on the game with a snapshot from Malcolm McClelland.

— Myles Hay

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ST.GEORGE 4(2)
BLACKTOWN 1(1)

Goals: 1-0 Campbell (14m), 2-0 Griffiths (16m), 2-1 Pointer (27m), 3-1 Duarte (76m), 4-1 Stone (89m).

ST.GEORGE: Fraser 4, Utjesenovic 3, McIntosh 3, **Russell 5,** Skeen 4, Gnavi 4, Barton 4, Stone 4, Duarte 4, **Campbell 5, Griffiths 5. Coach:** R. Blanco.

BLACKTOWN: Freeman 3, Rasmussen 3 (Harris 46m), Pointer 4, Cuk 4, (Turnbull 83m), Pollard 3, Hormazabal 4, Selvage 3. O'Donnell 3, Izatt 2, Wilkinson 2, Hunter 4. **Coach:** M.Jones.

Referee: A. Boskovic; **crowd:** 3,260; **cautions:** Campbell, Pollard, Wilkinson.

There can be little doubt left about St.George's revival: their second win in two weeks was impressive.

The three new Musketeers — Stone, Campbell and Russell — have lifted all three departments of the struggling team and now, understandably, the others are coming to life, too, from their earlier petrified state.

And yet — Blacktown could have been comfortably in the lead early in the game: after 23 seconds Hunter broke through and his shot was saved by Fraser, then four minutes later again Hunter's fierce shot hit the post.

Barely two minutes later a piledriver from Hormazabal was spectacularly saved by Fraser again — and this was the end of the Blacktown fireworks.

In the 14th minute Griffiths waltzed off on the left and his sharp cross was volleyed home by the ever alert Campbell.

Two minutes later the match was practically won: Duarte crossed from the right, Campbell flicked the ball on and this time it was Griffiths' volley that found the target.

Blacktown pulled one back in the 27th minute when Hormazabal's corner was missed by all except Pointer, stooping low to head the ball home.

The second half again started with Blacktown attacks: Hormazabal fell inside the box claiming unsuccessfully a penalty, then in the 69th minute Wilkinson's close shot was saved.

The rest was all St.George playing confidently, intelligently and resourcefully.

Stone sped off on the left, laid on the ball and Campbell's shot hit the upright.

In the 76th minute Griffiths twisted and turned on the left until he could wriggle free and send in a glorious cross finding Duarte's head.

The coup de grace was delivered by the fast improving Peter Stone, one minute from fulltime, when his hard drive from 20 metres, on the run, deflected off a Blacktown defender into the corner.

— Andrew Dettre

4

BRISBANE LIONS 0
CANBERRA CITY 0

BRISBANE LIONS: Scanlan 3, Ontong 4, Hermiston 4, Bennett 4, Niven 4, Hogg 4, Verweij 3, Lindsay 3, McNaughton 2, Millman 4, McGregor 2 (Wilson 71m). **Coach:** M. Carson.

CANBERRA CITY: Wilson 5, Moulis 2, **Stark 5, Milovanovic 5,** R. O'Shea 3, Cole 2, (Giampaolo 60m), Farrell 4, J.O'Shea 3, Brennan 3, Byrne 2, Valeri 2. **Coach:** J. Brown.

Referee: D. Nugent; **crowd:** 2,205.

This game was one of those non-events that some of our clubs still serve up to the public under the misconception that it is more important to gain a point than to entertain an all too small crowd.

In this instance the blame falls squarely at the somewhat expensive feet of the highly priced Canberra striking force.

As a unit they were woeful and very quickly succumbed to the attentions of Ontong, Bennett and Co., without even any semblance of resistance or fight.

In goalkeeper Wilson (who must have pleased the New Zealand coach who was watching), Stark and Milovanovic, they had three heroes, men who fought with every bit of strength and energy they possessed to stem the Lions charge that went on almost unabated for 90 minutes.

In fact, Scanlan was only called upon to make one save during the match, surely a reflection on Canberra's ineptitude.

Farrell and Brennan tried hard to get things going but it was all so futile that one could not help but feel sorry for them.

Matt Carson will have learned something from the game; his team is now commanding respect in the south.

Although it is nice, in a perverted sort of way, to gain this type of awe, Carson is too shrewd a soccer man not to be worried by the fact that his team, despite an overwhelming advantage in possession, failed to beat a team that had surrendered before the start.

The midfield, tough and tenacious, lacks the guile and experience of a seasoned campaigner who can channel the strength and exuberance into visionary movement.

Millman, who has never played better in his career, lacks the deadly type of support his non-stop foraging needs if it is to be capitalised upon, but despite all this there is little doubt the man is well along the road into making Lions a team to be feared in Philips League.

Having said that there is no excuse for Canberra's display; if a club which has spent thousands of dollars on what we are led to believe are some of the country's best attackers, can approach a game with such a negative attitude, there is little hope of increasing our following at the gate.

— Jim Binnie

5

FOOTSCRAY 1(1)
BRISBANE CITY 1(0)

Goals: 1-0 Ilioski (3m), 1-1 McCluskey (57m).

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 4, Hazabent 3, Ollerton 4, Kondarios 3, Petrov 3 (Kyriakouleas 46m), O'Reilly 3, Jovanovic 2, Ilioski 3 (Cozella 53m), Picioane 2, Vasic 3, Lujic 3. **Coach:** R. Ille.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 3, Wilkinson 4, Ratcliffe 3, Potter 4, Perry 4, Gaffney 3 (Caldwell 75m), Pimblett 3, Hamilton 4, Brusasco 4, McCluskey 3, Low 3 (Palinkas 73m). **Coach:** G. Potter.

Referee: E. Venios (Vic.); **crowd:** 628.

It might have been the presence of Rudi Gutendorf and the national team which unsettled the two sides, or it could have been the lack of atmosphere due to the poor crowd.

Whatever it was, this match was a forgettable affair with very little in the way of football to offer.

That the two sweepers, Peter Ollerton and George Potter were among the best men afield — without breaking a sweat — speaks volumes for the sad state of affairs in both forward lines.

Footscray must still be counting their blessings to come out of this match with a point, because, after a whirlwind start which produced a goal in the third minute, they stopped playing.

Zdravko Lujic made Footscray's goal, leaving Steve Perry in his wake in a dash down the left wing, before swinging a centre to the head of Dragan Vasic.

City 'keeper Kim Wishart did well to block the header, but Ilioski was following up and planted the rebound into the net.

The visitors slowly crept back into the game and in the 36th minute McCluskey missed a great opportunity to level the scores when he sliced the ball wide from six metres after a slip by Petrov had left him facing only the goalkeeper.

However, McCluskey made ammends soon after the re-start when his long range effort caught everybody by surprise — including Dennis Boland — and flashed into the net.

Footscray coach Rocco Ille made two substitutions early in the second half, bringing on recent signing Kyri Kyriakouleas (a $3,000 mid-week buy from South Melbourne), for Petrov and Bruno Cozella (17-year-old amateur signing from Altona City), for Ilioski.

But neither made any impact on the side.

On the contrary, Brisbane continued to dominate.

Bustling young Mark Brusasco, filling in for Barry Kelso, worked hard at his striker role and broke through several times.

His finishing was not the best, however, and Boland managed to save two shots quite comfortably.

— Peter Desira

THIS WAS THE WEEK THAT WAS

Sydney City president Frank Lowy received a high Government award last Monday: he was appointed Member of the Order of Australia for his services to community and soccer. Congratulations!

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Blacktown's Mick Jones: "We could have won the match in the first quarter of an hour. Mike Fraser in goal saved the Saints."

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Raul Blanco, St.George: "I'm delighted with the revival of the team. I'm sure the good run will continue. The two youngsters, Skeen and Barton, slotted perfectly into the side."

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Sydney City travelled to Hobart last Saturday and beat Rapid Wrest Point 1-0 in a friendly with a Mark Trenter goal. The team was without its internationals and also Steve O'Connor.

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Theo Moulis and Steve Doszpot are now running Canberra City and are confident that the recent turbulence will soon be a thing of the past.

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ASF president Sir Arthur George watched the Saints v Blacktown match on Sunday instead of travelling to Melbourne.

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St.George have still not given up hope that they may be able to sign Marconi's talented utility player Bertie Mariani.

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Leichhardt's Scottish striker Bill Pirie will make his return to the team on Sunday against Newcastle, having recovered from an injury.

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Alan Vest, Newcastle: "Wasn't it lovely to see two goals being scored without reply from the opposition? Our tale of woe with injuries continues with Arno Bertogna and Brett Cowburn sidelined. Despite their absence I thought the team combined quite well in a gutsy performance."

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Leichhardt coach Willie Wallace: "Over the past couple of games we have done everything right, except score goals. I'm sure that our position on the table bears no relation to our true potential. Take Fashanu out of Adelaide City's team today and we would have won."

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Matt Carson, Lions: "What can one say about that? We did everything in our power to make a game of it but it was not to be. On reflection one has to be happy with a point for in many games like this it is so easy to lose two."

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Canberra's John Brown: "I am very satisfied with a point. Lions are a strong, tough team and to go home with a point has to be a plus for us. Lions pressured us constantly and I thought my central defence did a great job against the barrage that was laid against them.

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Marconi's Milorad Urukalo: "Several of our players were at the St.George — Blacktown game as interested spectators. Afterwards they just couldn't believe that we had lost to Blacktown the week before. But with the series against Ireland coming to a close I think some of our problems will disappear and the side will be able to concentrate on the PSL title once again."

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Marconi's Milorad Urukalo again: "We have made a determined effort this year to get involved with junior soccer in the local area and have started off in the schools. So far it has been a raging success and we keep getting more and more invitations for players to attend training sessions. Players like Henderson, Krncevic, Raskopoulos, Mariani, Sharne and others are highly respected and the kids often come to watch the side play on the weekends."

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PAST RESULTS

	1977	1978	1979
Blacktown v Heidelberg	—	—	—
Sydney City v Sth.Melbourne	0-1	0-0	2-0
West Adelaide v Brisbane Lions	5-1	3-0	1-0
Leichhardt v Newcastle	—	—	1-3
Brisbane City v Marconi	0-1	0-3	3-4
Canberra v St.George	2-2	1-1	1-1
Footscray v Adelaide City	3-4	0-1	0-2

NSW TABLES

STATE LEAGUE

GRADE 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Olympic	11	1	1	32	9	23
Melita	11	1	2	24	8	23
Canterbury	8	1	5	23	21	17
Auburn	6	3	4	20	20	15
Avala	5	4	4	17	17	14
Croatia	5	3	4	25	15	13
Arncliffe	4	3	5	21	19	11
Nth. Sydney	4	2	5	19	21	10
Bankstown	5	—	7	19	25	10
Sutherland	3	3	6	11	14	9
Ku-ring-gai	3	3	5	17	21	9
Monaro	2	4	6	9	13	8
Manly	2	2	8	13	22	6
Parramatta	2	2	9	11	36	6

GRADE 2

Canterbury	10	3	1	23	7	23
Croatia	6	4	1	19	6	16
Sutherland	5	6	1	18	9	16
Ku-ring-gai	6	3	2	18	9	15
Olympic	5	3	4	19	12	13
Avala	4	5	4	19	15	13
Auburn	5	3	5	12	13	13
Melita	4	4	4	24	20	12
Arncliffe	4	3	4	14	14	11
Bankstown	5	1	5	12	21	11
Parramatta	2	2	8	10	19	6
Manly	2	3	7	4	14	6
Nth. Sydney	2	1	8	10	25	5
Monaro	1	3	7	9	24	5

GRADE 3

Auburn	8	4	—	26	6	20
Sutherland	8	3	—	28	7	19
Ku-ring-gai	6	4	1	28	14	16
Bankstown	5	4	1	17	11	14
Canterbury	4	5	3	21	16	13
Olympic	5	3	4	14	11	13
Arncliffe	4	4	2	18	16	12
Melita	3	4	3	14	19	10
Manly	3	2	6	14	19	8
Parramatta	2	4	4	12	21	8
Croatia	1	3	6	19	29	5
Nth. Sydney	1	2	8	10	29	4
Avala	—	1	11	10	37	1

DIVISION 1

GRADE 1

Marconi	8	2	2	33	14	18
Uni of NSW	7	4	2	26	11	18
Bathurst	7	4	3	26	17	18
Revesby	7	4	4	27	31	18
St.George	7	3	3	38	19	17
Polonia	7	3	4	35	23	17
Wollongong	6	5	2	22	12	17
Blacktown City	6	5	2	22	13	17
Leichhardt	6	2	4	30	20	14
Sydney City	4	3	6	30	25	11
Blacktown Utd.	3	3	8	11	24	9
Belmore	3	2	7	17	31	8
Penrith	3	2	8	15	33	8
Yugal	1	5	7	11	27	7
Warringah	—	1	13	6	44	1

GRADE 2

St.George	10	4	—	38	9	24
Sydney City	9	3	1	35	11	21
Wollongong	8	2	3	34	20	18
Revesby	7	4	4	30	22	18
Warringah	6	5	3	21	19	17
Leichhardt	6	3	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	15
Blacktown City	6	3	4	30	23	15
Blacktown Utd.	6	2	5	15	12	14
Polonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Penrith	5	1	7	13	18	11
Uni of NSW	5	1	8	11	29	11
Bathurst	2	3	9	11	24	7
Marconi	2	1	9	12	20	5
Yugal	1	3	8	9	30	5
Belmore	1	—	11	9	36	2

GRADE 3

St.George	11	1	2	79	13	23
Sydney City	10	2	1	37	13	22
Leichhardt	8	3	1	25	9	19
Marconi	8	2	3	41	14	18
Blacktown City	7	3	3	30	15	17
Belmore	7	2	3	20	10	16
Blacktown Utd	6	3	4	22	24	15
Polonia	6	1	5	24	22	13
Revesby	4	4	7	28	38	12
Penrith	4	3	6	22	31	11
Wollongong	4	—	8	22	25	8
Uni of NSW	3	1	10	18	49	7
Yugal	2	2	8	14	54	6
Warringah	2	1	10	14	30	5
Bathurst	1	1	12	12	59	3

DIVISION 2

GRADE 1

Guildford	8	2	1	28	9	18
Nth Bankstown	7	2	1	29	11	16
Campbelltown	6	3	1	16	8	15
Yagoona	5	2	3	14	13	12
Glad. Ravens	4	3	2	13	7	11
Queens Park	3	4	3	10	16	10
Lethbridge	3	2	4	17	14	8
Glad.Hornsby	3	2	5	11	16	8
Dee Why	3	2	5	6	12	8
Baulkham Hills	3	1	6	16	24	7
Lane Cove	1	2	6	9	18	4
Marrickville	—	1	9	5	26	1

GRADE 2

Guildford	6	4	1	37	12	16
Glad.Ravens	7	2	—	23	4	16
Campbelltown	6	3	1	23	10	15
Lethbridge	5	3	1	22	11	13
Baulkham Hills	5	2	3	21	18	12
Glad.Hornsby	4	3	3	12	16	11
Nth.Bankstown	3	3	4	10	13	9
Yagoona	3	2	5	17	22	8
Dee Why	1	4	5	13	21	6
Lane Cove	2	1	6	12	21	5
Queens Park	2	—	8	7	24	4
Marrickville	1	1	8	9	34	3

GRADE 3

Guildford	8	2	1	33	11	18
Nth.Bankstown	8	—	2	37	7	16
Glad.Ravens	8	—	1	34	7	16
Glad.Hornsby	7	1	2	24	11	15
Marrickville	6	1	3	21	15	13
Campbelltown	5	—	5	19	16	10
Baulkham Hills	3	3	4	16	13	9
Lethbridge	4	—	5	9	21	8
Yagoona	2	2	6	8	34	6
Lane Cove	2	1	6	8	28	5
Dee Why	—	1	9	3	17	1
Queens Park	—	1	9	6	38	1

DIVISION 3

GRADE 1

Nth. Ryde	6	3	1	19	10	15
Bondi Marine	5	4	1	20	9	14
Kingsford	6	1	2	19	14	13
Riverstone	5	2	3	16	13	12
Liverpool Alb.	5	2	1	11	8	12
Bonnyrigg	5	—	5	18	14	10
Sydney Uni.	3	3	3	11	11	9
Artarmon	2	3	5	13	14	7
Hurstville	3	1	6	13	19	7
Port Hacking	3	1	6	11	17	7
Wenty	2	2	6	12	20	6
West Ryde	1	2	7	17	31	4

GRADE 2

Bondi Marine	8	4	—	24	5	18
Artarmon	8	2	1	33	19	18
Kingsford	7	1	2	27	12	15
Nth. Ryde	5	2	3	21	12	12
Liverpool Alb.	4	3	1	20	9	11
Sydney Uni.	4	1	5	20	18	9
Wenty	3	3	4	13	16	9
Port Hacking	3	2	5	16	19	8
Riverstone	4	—	6	16	21	8
Bonnyrigg	2	2	6	21	19	6
Hurstville	1	1	8	13	44	3
West Ryde	1	1	9	12	43	3

DIVISION 4

GRADE 1

Eastern Creek	7	1	—	19	7	15
Padstow	6	—	3	24	9	12
Fairfield Kiev	4	4	1	17	7	12
Eastwood	6	—	4	22	16	12
Paddington	4	4	2	14	14	12
Canley Heights	4	2	4	18	16	10
Ryde Dist.	4	—	6	20	24	8
West Holroyd	2	3	4	15	23	7
Revesby	1	4	4	10	18	6
Chelsea	2	1	6	5	16	5
Maroubra	1	1	7	13	27	3

GRADE 2

Fairfield Kiev	4	6	—	28	17	14
Eastern Creek	5	3	—	22	5	13
Padstow	5	3	—	23	14	13
Canley Heights	6	—	4	26	19	12
Eastwood	5	2	3	20	10	12
Paddington	3	6	1	13	12	12
West Holroyd	4	2	3	13	10	10
Revesby	2	3	4	23	18	7
Ryde Dist.	3	1	6	12	27	7
Chelsea	—	3	7	11	32	3
Maroubra	—	1	8	4	31	1

DIVISION 5

GRADE 1

Concordia	7	3	1	29	8	17
Fairfield West	5	6	—	17	6	16
Nth. Rocks	5	2	3	22	13	12
West St.George	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Macquarie Uni	5	1	4	20	11	11
Edensor	4	3	4	21	19	11
Maccabi	4	3	4	19	18	11
Pagewood	2	5	4	10	20	9
Camden	3	2	6	17	27	8
Haberfield	2	1	7	8	21	5
Auburn Jun.	1	2	7	10	37	4

GRADE 2

Fairfield West	9	—	2	29	9	18
Winston Hills	8	1	1	34	8	17
West St.George	8	1	2	29	13	17
Camden	7	2	2	23	10	16
Macquarie Uni	6	3	1	26	16	15
Maccabi	5	1	5	20	16	11
Nth. Rocks	4	1	5	20	18	9
Concordia	4	—	7	15	23	8
Pagewood	2	2	7	14	33	6
Edensor	2	1	8	18	32	5
Haberfield	1	1	8	11	29	3
Auburn Jun.	1	1	9	7	38	3

DIVISION 6

GRADE 1

Moorebank	8	2	1	30	11	18
Glenquarrie	8	1	2	32	10	17
Hawkesbury	6	3	1	24	6	15
Blacktown Wan.	6	1	3	24	17	13
Chullora	5	2	3	27	12	12
Liverpool City	5	2	3	16	9	12
Liverpool Utd.	4	3	4	15	15	11
Liverpool Rang.	3	3	4	12	18	9
Green Valley	3	2	5	14	14	8
Bankstown	2	2	7	13	40	6
Mt.Pritchard	1	1	9	12	32	3
Sth.Sydney	1	—	10	11	46	2

GRADE 2

Moorebank	9	2	—	38	5	20
Liverpool City	7	2	1	35	10	16
Glenquarrie	7	1	2	33	11	15
Hawkesbury	6	1	3	34	8	13
Blacktown Wan.	5	3	2	15	17	13
Green Valley	5	2	3	23	13	12
Chullora	4	1	5	19	15	9
Liverpool Utd.	3	3	5	17	23	9
Liverpool Rang.	2	2	6	10	11	6
Mt. Pritchard	3	—	8	16	32	6
Bankstown	2	1	8	14	55	4
South Sydney	—	—	11	7	64	—

AUBURN v AVALA 1-1(1-0)

Avala were outplayed for all but a few minutes of this match, yet amazingly escaped with a point, mainly due to the slack Auburn shooting.

The powerful Auburn forwards revelled in the conditions and caused a tremendous amount of bother for Avala.

Barton, usually so sound in the air for Avala, was all at sea against McCrannor and lost nearly every aerial battle.

Auburn started promisingly when after only seven minutes McCrannor put his side one up.

Ross slipped him a neat pass on the edge of the area and the striker swivelled to send a low shot past Ahrens' left, just inside the upright.

In the 40th minute Dawson sliced through the Avala defence but while trying to round Ahrens he lost possession and a golden chance to increase the lead went abegging.

In the last five minutes Avala forced a corner and from the partial clearance Nitya picked the ball up and drove it in for the equaliser.

Gisbourne, who up to that stage had relatively little to do, was then called on to make two great saves to keep his side in the game.

AUBURN: Gisbourne 4, McCoy 4, Fairclough 3, Donson 4, McMillan 3, McDonald 4, Quigley 3 (Carter 65m), McCulloch 4, Ross 3, McCrannor 4, Dawson 3, (Grieve 70m).

AVALA: Ahrens 4, Nitya 4, Deller 3, Barton 3, Pilovski 3, Rnjak 3, Djurisic 3, Czolnowski 3, Tilt 2 (Bateman 65m), Rodic 3 (Young 36m, 3), Kodor 3.

Goals: 1-0 McCrannor (7m), 1-1 Nitya (85m).
Referee: T. Seacy; **crowd:** 964; **caution:** McDonald.

— A. Henderson

NSW STATE LEAGUE

Melita, Olympic to keep up their duel

— By Paul James —

Last week's rain affected round saw only four games take place and has resulted in a further backlog of games for some clubs.

There were no real surprises in the four games, though Olympic's narrow victory over Monaro raised a few eyebrows and could be a sign of things to come from the Queanbeyan based outfit.

This week several important top of the table clashes take place.

At Knight Park Avala take on Melita in a do-or-die affair for Avala.

Last week they were outplayed by the powerful Auburn side and were lucky to escape with a point.

Melita, despite being held scoreless at halftime, ran over Bankstown in the latter stages of their game last week and should be too strong for the inconsistent Avala side.

We tip Melita 2-1.

Sutherland had a rest last week and needed it to boost team spirit and get over minor injuries before this week's meeting with Olympic.

The Shire side has plummeted to tenth position this season, partly as a result of the plundering of their fine 1979 team by both PSL and other State League clubs.

Olympic showed last week how heavily they rely on a fast attack when they [illegible] without [illegible] Clive Eaton and had to struggle to beat Monaro. [illegible] two are back in the table Olympic win [illegible].

We tip Olympic 2-0.

The Canterbury—North Sydney match at Arlington will be a real test of the character of the North Sydney team.

They have had some outstanding results this year and their comfortable position in the middle of the table is no fluke.

Canterbury's high position is also a creditable achievement, especially after their poor start to the season.

Last week they again found their scoring boots and soundly thrashed Parramatta.

But Norths are a different kettle of fish and can be expected to fight all the way.

We tip a 2-2 draw.

Champions Croatia play host to Monaro on Sunday at King Tomislav, and will be hoping the southern lads' revival is not yet fully underway.

Undoubtedly strengthened by Zdenko Kafka's arrival, Croatia are playing more like the champions who have dominated the State League for three years.

Kevin Coleman's return, plus the improved performances of Marijan Kovacic Tom Basic and Wally Savor have made Croatia's life much easier.

As for Monaro, their forward line still lacks the sparkle it once had with Giampaolo and Wing a close [illegible] understanding.

We tip Croatia to win by the odd goal: 3-2.

The super-fit seasiders [illegible] picked up their game in the [illegible] and shrugged off the effects of injury problems to field a potentially dangerous side.

The Auburn team, based around a few experienced players but with a majority of youngsters has been one of the surprise packets this year.

Players few have ever heard of before: McCoy, McCulloch, McCrannor, Quigley and Ross have made their presence felt in the State League and provided Auburn with hope for a top four position.

Despite Manly's enthusiasm we predict Auburn will run out winners, 3-2.

Arncliffe's hopes of a top four position were dented by Croatia a fortnight ago, and they will have to start amassing points regularly from now on.

In their past two games Parramatta have conceded 10 goals with only one in reply.

Their fighting spirit has been sapped and it would be a major upset if they got even a point from Arncliffe.

We tip a 3-0 win to the Scots.

At the Soccer Centre Bankstown take on Ku-ring-gai in perhaps the most unpredictable match of the round.

Two weeks ago Bankstown beat Canterbury 3-1, then last week crashed Melita 4-1.

Ku-ring-gai are in a similar position, for after a healthy string of results they were hammered 3-1 by Manly a fortnight ago.

Bankstown's attack looks more dangerous than does Ku-ring-gai's, who rely mostly on a powerful midfield coming through as a second wave.

As a result we tip Bankstown to win, but only just, 1-0.

MELITA v BANKSTOWN 4-1(0-0)

Melita adapted to the heavy conditions much better and won despite being forced to go in 0-0 at halftime after Don Allan missed a penalty.

Both goalies were busy in the first period, with Terry Greedy in particular a safe guardian.

Melita should have taken the lead in the 24th minute when Victor Juchniewicz was tripped inside the box, but Allan hit his spot-kick straight into the arms of Wally Lachowicz.

Allan made amends, however, when he opened Melita's account in the 51st minute, slipping home the ball from close in at the left hand post.

Terry Jones made it 2-0 when he converted Juchniewicz's cross, but Thompson reduced the arrears when his 25 metres freekick was deflected home off a Melita defender.

In the last six minutes Melita surged forward and were rewarded with two more goals, first from Juchniewicz and then Jones again.

MELITA: Greedy 5, Berry 4, MacDonald 3, Darvill 3, Mikas 3, Juchniewicz 4, Williams 3, W. Parker 3 (Farrugia 86m), Allan 4, Stoddart 3, T. Jones 5.

BANKSTOWN: Lachowicz 4, Thompson 3, Rootsey 3, Beater 3, Lynch 4, Peck 3, Williams 2, King 3, Lembryk 2, Daley 4, Davis 3.

Goals: 1-0 Allan (51m), 2-0 Jones (66m), 2-1 Thompson (70m), 3-1 Juchniewicz (84m), 4-1 Jones (87m).
Referee: T. Boskovic; **crowd:** 1,480.

— G. Streeter

CANTERBURY v PARRAMATTA 4-1(2-0)

Canterbury struck form again after their surprise loss last week to Bankstown and whacked the hapless Parramatta who conceded their tenth goal in two games.

Parramatta's weak attack had no way of penetrating a well organised Canterbury backline and Stephenson's consolation goal came as Canterbury slackened off towards the end.

Two goals in the space of a minute were the deciding factors in the game — almost before the players had a chance to get used to the heavy conditions.

In the 10th minute Thamnides played a one-two from a corner, easily rounded McKenzie and then placed the ball on Thomson's head for the first goal.

Thamnides was involved less than 40 seconds later with the vital goal when his cross-cum-shot was deflected past Donovan by Jordan for an agonizing own goal.

In the second half Williams netted twice to complete the rout.

His first came with him near prone on the ground yet he was still able to poke away Byles' freekick.

Then the second came in the exact opposite position as he flew high to meet a cross and head the ball into the net.

CANTERBURY: McPherson 4, Sheldrick 3, Laws 3, G. Brown 4, Penman 3, Thomson 3, Williams 4, Thamnides 4, Hall 3, Byles 5, Ramisch 4 (Bosganos 67m).

PARRAMATTA: Donovan 3, Jordan 3, Bigland 3, Lackey 3, Bates 2, McKenzie 2, Forwood 3, Roden 3, Mitchell 3 (Strickland 60m), Stephenson 4, Hearne 4.

Goals: 1-0 Thamnides (10m), 2-0 Jordan (o.g. 11m), 3-0 Williams (63m), 4-0 Williams (70m), 4-1 Stephenson (86m).
Referee: G. Power; **crowd:** 425; **cautions:** Laws, Bates, Jordan.

— E. Persen

OLYMPIC v MONARO 2-1(1-0)

Olympic battled gamely for this victory over a determined Monaro.

Without Eaton and Hensman the forward line lacked imagination and punch and it was not until 45 minutes had passed that they put a goal past Antonopoulos — and through a defender at that.

From a corner seconds before the halftime whistle Rowden found himself unmarked inside the box and headed home Andy Scott's cross.

After the break Olympic looked more settled and Antonopoulos did well to keep the Olympic forwards at bay.

In the 69th minute Olympic wrapped up the game when Mark Koussas headed in a neat cross from Houssein.

Ankudinoff was the pillar of Olympic's backline until he was injured late in the game while Houssein provided most of the ideas from midfield.

In the last 10 minutes Monaro came forward, with nothing to lose, and Noble cracked in a 25-metre drive after a corner.

OLYMPIC: Meier 4, Ankudinoff 5, Palmer 5, McPherson 4 (Koussas 50m), Rowden 4, Cross 4, Laing 3, Zeros 3, Houssein 4, Scott 3, Jennings 2 (Wilson 31m).

MONARO: Antonopoulos 3, Crawford 3, Charles 3, Noble 4, Santolin 4, Falzon 3, Pangalos 2, Valeri 2 (Heywood 59m), Link 3, Talevski 3 (Sheridan 65m), Trajanoski 3.

Goals: 1-0 Rowden (45m), 2-0 Koussas (69m), 2-1 Noble (84m).
Referee: R. Lorenc; **crowd:** 2,575; **caution:** Charles.

— G. Streeter

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SUTHERLAND	V SYDNEY OLYM.	SUN., SEYMOUR SHAW
AVALA	V MELITA EAG.	SUN. KNIGHT PARK
MANLY WARR.	V AUBURN	SAT., CROMER PARK
PARRAMATTA	V ARNCLIFFE	SUN., GARSIDE PARK
BANKSTOWN	V KURINGAI	SUN., SOCCER CENTRE
CANT.-M'VILLE	V NTH.SYD.INTER	SUN., ARLINGTON OV.
Polonia	v Revesby Work.	Sun., Chopin Park
Penrith Utd.	v SSC Yugal	Sun., Cook Park
Sydney City	v Bathurst '75	Sat., Syd.Ath.Field
Warringah	v Blacktown City	Sat., Narrabeen
Leichhardt	v Marconi	Sat., Lambert Park
Uni of NSW	v St.George	Sun., David Phillips Fld
Belmore	v Wollongong	Sat., Blick Oval

NEXT WEEK

INTER MONARO	V ARNCLIFFE	SUN., MARCO POLO OV
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WORLD NEWS

GERMANY — ITALY FINAL LOOMING

ROME —. England have been eliminated from the European Championships in Italy: no matter what happens in their last match in Naples against Spain on Wednesday (2.45am Thursday Sydney time), they have, once again, missed the boat with one draw and one loss.

The same day Italy and Belgium will meet here, some three hours later — and even a draw would be enough for the Belgians to make the final, having a better goal difference.

So Rome will see some fireworks for sure — and, one has to assume, a narrow home win against the plucky Belgians, the surprise packets of the tournament.

England's demise occurred in Turin, in front of a capacity house of 78,000 which produced a gate takings of $600,000.

Manager Ron Greenwood brought in Shilton, Kennedy and Birtles to replace [illegible] Brooking and didn't work. [illegible] tactics Italian manager [illegible] fullback Cabrini and used the tough Benetti in midfield when [illegible] miskicked the ball, got to Woodcock but he hesitated too long and was brought down by Scirea.

The match really sprung to life after the interval. In the 46th minute Scirea got into the English box but shot wide.

Eleven minutes later Kennedy's 20-metre drive beat Zoff — but smacked against the post.

Later a great one-two move by Keegan and Woodcock ended with Keegan's shot scrambled to corner.

In the 79th minute Italy scored. Graziani, a local Turin hero, made a run on the left, went past Neal and his cross was headed home by Tardelli.

In Milan, Belgium defeated Spain 2-1, after a great midfield tussle between their respective midfield generals, Van Moer and Asensi.

In the 16th minute Belgium went ahead after a great run by winger Cuelemans.

A quarter of an hour later Juanito took a freekick from 18 metres and Quini's header beat goalie Pfaff.

Spain had to replace the injured Asensi with the tall Real Madrid midfielder Del Bosque.

Belgium's winner came in the 64th minute — just as it looked that Spain was going to take over.

Cuelemans made a long sprint and his perfect cross was [illegible] by Julien [illegible]

The West Germans [illegible] become the favorites for the final with a dashing win over Holland in their second match of the European Championship finals.

Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, West Germany's brilliant striker.

The Germans now need only a single point from [illegible] on Tuesday (Wednesday [illegible] Sydney [illegible]) and the Greeks, with two defeats in their bags, are not likely to trouble them too much.

The winner of the Holland v Czechoslovakia match, also the same day, would qualify only if the Germans lost to Greece.

In their second match, the West German all but tore Holland apart in Naples, winning 3-2 after leading 3-0.

This was the Germans' 12th consecutive international victory — surely the sign of yet another great team emerging.

Their hero was the Fortuna Dusseldorf striker Klaus Allofs, who landed a hat-trick.

His first goal came after 20 minutes after Berndt Schuster of FC Koln — soon to join Bayern Munchen — hit the upright.

The second goal was hit beautifully by Allofs, with the outside of the left foot and the third came when Schuster raced to the byline and pulled the ball back for Allofs to ram home.

Schuster was in magnificent form and this was easily the best match of the championship so far.

Near the end the Germans relaxed and Holland crept back into the game.

Johnny Rep scored from a penalty and a great goal by Willy Van der Kerkhof made the score look much more respectable than Holland deserved.

In Rome, the Czechs kept their hopes alive with a 3-1 win over Greece.

Antonin Panenka put the Czechs ahead after five minutes but then Nikos Anatopoulos equalised.

Before halftime Ladislav Vizek restored the lead and after 62 minutes the sharp Zdenek Nehoda made it 3-1.

Four goals in four matches, one of them from penalty, heralded the first round of the European championships, characterised by cautious, defensive tactics.

Defending champions Czechoslovakia opened the series against West Germany in Rome.

While the Germans were superior for most of the disappointing game, they could grab only one goal, through a Rummenigge header, to gain the valuable points.

In Naples, the same evening, a badly weakened Holland had an [illegible] of [illegible] against Greece. [illegible] the Greeks matched their opponents and even a major upset looked possible.

Then finally Holland was able to get the winner when Kees Kist converted a penalty.

The following day matches continued in the other two groups.

In Turin, England were held to a 1-1 draw by Belgium in a match which was marred by violence by English fans.

Manchester United's Ray Wilkins scored a spectacular goal after 26 minutes but Jan Ceulemans equalised three minutes later with a powerful drive.

Just before halftime the game had to be held up for five minutes as Italian riot police tried to calm down the rampaging England fans; batons and teargas were used and England manager Ron Greenwood had to appeal to the crowd to let the game go on.

In the second half the match continued at a fairly sleepy pace — but Woodcock managed to get a goal in the 74th minute only to see it disallowed for offside.

In Milan, the somewhat demoralised Italy was lucky to escape with a 0-0 draw against the surprisingly agile Spaniards.

After the match, the Italian fans jeered their own stars off the field and manager Enzo Bearzot was also the target of heated abuse.

The Italians didn't play well and the best scoring chances fell to Spain.

In the 70th minute Real Madrid winger Juanito, coming on as a replacement, bent a freekick past the wall and the ball hit the crossbar.

Earlier the Basque striker Satrustegui, from Real Sociedad club, had a goal disallowed.

GROUP I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
W.Germany	2	2	—	—	4	2	4
Czechosl.	2	1	—	1	3	2	2
Holland	2	1	—	1	3	3	2
Greece	2	—	—	2	1	4	—

GROUP II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Belgium	2	1	1	—	3	2	3
Italy	2	1	1	—	1	—	3
England	2	—	1	1	1	2	1
Spain	2	—	1	1	1	2	1

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OVERSEAS BRIEFS

• *The greatest retarding factor of soccer's progress is the unreasonable fear of defeat — says Istvan Kovacs, manager of Rumania.*

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• *Branko Zebec has signed a new two-year contract with Hamburg as chief coach.*

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• *Nottingham Forest's Stan Bowles has been put on the transfer list by manager Brian Clough.*

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• *Red Star Belgrade looks certain to win the Yugoslav championship title.*

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• *Middlesbrough won the Tokyo international tournament, beating Espanol Barcelona in the final.*

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• *Fortuna Dusseldorf is the West German cup winner, having beaten FC Koln 2-1 in Gelsenkirchen, in front of 50,000 fans.*

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• *Ghana has withdrawn from the 1982 World Cup and its sub-group opponent, Egypt, has reached the second round without a game.*

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• *Gigi Radice will be the new coach of Bologna in Italy. In 1975, Radice won the title with AC Torino.*

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• *Hungary and Austria played a 1-1 draw in a friendly match in Budapest; the guest of honor was Pele who is shooting a film in Budapest.*

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• *Sporting has won the Portuguese championship ahead of Porto and Benfica, with Leiria, Bela Mar (Westad star Manecas' fermer club) and Rio Ave relegated.*

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• *Spain's Valencia has sacked its manager Alfredo Di Stefano — because the team could finish only about halfway up the table though they did win the European Cupwinners' Cup final against Arsenal.*

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• *Daniel Bertoni, the Argentine World Cup star, is likely to join the Italian Fiorentina.*

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• *Zico has a new three-year contract with the Brazilian Flamengo, winners of the Brazilian title.*

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• *St.Etienne is keen to release their Dutch striker, Johan Rep though his contract won't expire for another year.*

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• *Hungary's cosmonaut Bertalan Farkas, recently back from a space journey in Soyuz 36, is a keen soccer fan and regularly plays for his army unit's team.*

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• *Ferencvaros, Hungary's most popular club, will have a new coach, Dezso Novak, replacing Zoltan Friedmanszky.*

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• *Brian Clough is likely to sign a new contract with Nottingham Forest for three seasons — at [illegible] a year.*

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• *Hamburg's international defender Peter Nogly has joined a club in the USA.*

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• *With the arrival of the Belgian Van der Elst, New York Cosmos now has 13 foreigners on its staff.*

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• *Paolo Rossi, the Italian star ousted for three years because of his role in the betting scandal, intends to appeal. "I am innocent," he insists.*

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• *Brazilian ace Nelinho has recovered from his serious spinal illness and is back in the national squad of new manager Tele Santana.*

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• *A crowd of 78,000 — full house — was present for the benefit-farewell match of Sepp Maier in the Munich Olympic Stadium where a West German XI played Bayern, winning 3-1.*

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• *The Greek Association has dropped to second division the Iraklis club for their bribe attempt in the match against PAOK. Several club officials have been sentenced to jail terms by a criminal court.*

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• *"I'm ashamed to be English," said Kevin Keegan after last week's riotous England v Belgium match in Turin.*

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• *Flamengo won the Brazilian title, beating Belo Horizonte 0-1 and 3-2. After the expulsion of a Belo Horizonte player, Reinaldo, a brawl broke out among fans; 80 people were taken to hospital.*

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• *Braunschweig, Bremen and Hertha Berlin have been relegated from the German Bundesliga for next season.*

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• *Aleksey Homic, former world famous goalie of Moscow Dynamo, died in Moscow at the age of 60.*

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• *Pele: "I feel the best football today is played in Argentina and West Germany. They haven't adopted any special 'system' but play their own game well."*

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• *The Phoenix Fire club has collapsed just before the start of the American Soccer League season.*

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• *Former Sydney APIA player Bob Ridley is now coach of the Cleveland Cobras in the ASL (below the top ranking NASL).*

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